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## KING GEORGE.

(Correspondence of THE FREE LANCE.)  
King George Co., Va., Sept. 8, 1902.

Quite a sensation has been caused, not only at Colonial Beach, but in this county by the dragging of little Genevieve Ashton Nide, the three-month-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Nide, formerly of King George, but for some months past of Colonial Beach. An elderly lady, Mrs. Goodwin, of Washington, who has been summering at the beach, became greatly attached to the beautiful little Genevieve, and frequently asked permission, as a great favor, to be allowed to pet and care for the child. Last Wednesday Mrs. Goodwin took charge of the baby and carried it to her room. After some time Mrs. Nide discovered that the little one was in an unconscious condition. Dr. Nide, who was a short distance from home, was hastily summoned, with a visiting physician, and the work of resuscitating the baby began. For hours—indeed, all night—they worked to save the little life, and finally their efforts were crowned with success. The physicians discovered that the child had been given morphine. Mrs. Goodwin is a morphine eater, and Dr. Nide accused her of administering it to his child. This she positively denied, but a short time afterwards she attempted suicide by taking a combination of poisons, leaving a note in her room saying she was disgraced forever, and would end her life. Every effort was then put forth to resuscitate her, as she was beginning to become rigid. When hours of labor had been spent in reviving her, she recovered sufficiently to be sent to Washington to a sanitarium. Little Genevieve continues to improve and is quite bright again.

The registration boards of King George county, which were recently appointed, are as follows: Shiloh District, D. E. Conkley, Rush Marshall and John Garrett. This board will meet at Shiloh Sept. 15th. Registrars of Potomac District are R. W. Conkley, J. G. Tullaford, D. L. Ashton; to meet at Hampstead Sept. 13th and at Passapatanzy Sept. 22nd. The Registrars of Rappahannock District, H. H. Hunter, T. W. Boggs and Hewish Potts. When registration at the court house last Friday, 5th instant, and up to Saturday night about twenty-five voters had been registered—all white. There had been no colored applicants. This board will not close till the 15th instant.

King George Co., Va., Sept. 6, 1902.

As there will be no contest for county or district offices at the approaching election, it is likely that the registration of voters in this county, announced to begin the 15th of the present month, will be a dull affair. As a stimulant to this first enrolment of voters the convention should have ordained a special election of overseers of the poor and road contractors; this would have secured a whole brigade of canvassers and a full register of the qualified voters. The failure to do this accounts for the meager showing thus far in other counties where registration has already occurred or is now in progress. Our colored population, so far, evince very little interest in the matter.

Owing to inclement weather the annual meeting of the Junior Order of Mechanics and their public entertainment recently held at the court house, was not largely attended as usual. The musical concert at night attracted a much larger attendance than the tournament and other exercises of the day, and the performance was of that high standard of excellence for which our home talent has been so long distinguished. The concert of sweet sounds, however, was somewhat marred at times by overwrought applause in the galleries, and by a counter performance of high ball with fireworks attachment played on the pyrotechnic display. It is said, fell a mile off, but as the night was damp no damage was done. One small one found its way into the fire-proof building used by the county as a receiving vault and safety deposit, and when examined next morning had "gone out." Moral: When next you come, leave early and avoid the rush.

## Cured Chronic Diarrhea After Thirty Years of Suffering.

"I suffered for thirty years with diarrhoea and thought I was past being cured," says John S. Holloway, of French Camp, Miss. "I had spent so much time and money and suffered so much that I had given up all hopes of recovery. I was so feeble from the effects of the diarrhoea that I could do no kind of labor, could not even travel, but by accident I was permitted to find a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and after taking several bottles I am entirely cured of that trouble. I am so pleased with the result that I am anxious that it be in reach of all who suffer as I have." For sale by M. M. Lewis Druggist.

Uncle Grover to Uncle Hank Watterson: "That's all right. Blackguard the premises as much as you want to don't cost you a cent."—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

## Colds

How will your cold be tonight? Worse, probably. It's first a cold, then a cough, then bronchitis. Colds always tend downward. Stop them quickly with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

## SPOTSYLVANIA.

(Correspondence of THE FREE LANCE.)  
Spotsylvania, Va., Sept. 8, 1902.

Miss Nellie Blye Rawlings is visiting Mr. E. H. C. Bailey, at Mill Dale.

Miss Fannie Pendleton, of this place, is visiting the Misses Biscoe near Belmont this week, and attending the Olivet revival meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tompkins, of Post Oak, were visiting friends and relatives here Saturday.

Mr. A. F. Tompkins, son of Mr. George Tompkins has gone to Wilmore, Kentucky, where he has entered Asbury College as a student for the present session.

Mrs. Mary E. Burton, of East Radford, who has been visiting Rev. J. W. Heckman and family left Saturday for Richmond from whence she will go by Portsmouth, where she will attend the Pentecostal meetings being conducted by Rev. Joseph H. Smith, of California. She will return to Radford the last of this week.

Barton made many friends here.

Miss Edith Jones, of Richmond, where she will spend a few weeks visiting old friends and acquaintances.

Mr. Harry Howser, who has been visiting Mr. S. W. Alrich's has returned to his home in Washington, D. C.

Miss Alice V. Jones, of Wilderness, who has been reported as having typhoid fever in this correspondence continues to improve.

Rev. J. W. Heckman filled his appointments yesterday at Lebanon and Olivet. Some new members were received at Lebanon by baptism.

Rev. H. H. Smith, pastor of Caroline Circuit, is expected to assist Rev. J. W. Heckman in a meeting at Parker beginning the third Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Pendleton, who has been visiting her relatives near Brookhaven for a week has returned home.

Mr. Aug. M. Bauman is painting the new residence of Dr. W. A. Harris.

The Baptists are making great preparation for the Association which will start this week. A good time generally is anticipated.

Master Joe, and Miss Bessie Crismond, are visiting relatives here.

For Over Sixty Years.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pains, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other.

## A Spotsylvania German.

One of the prettiest Germans of the season was danced Tuesday night in Lewis' Hall. It was given in honor of the visiting girls, Misses Ernie Thomas, of Richmond, and Nora Dillard, of Scottsville. Dr. T. Welch Dew with Miss Ernie Thomas, dressed in pink silk mull, led. The other dances were as follows: Miss Nora Dillard, white silk mull; Mr. Clarence Cheunging; Miss Helen Walder, of Richmond, white crepe de chine, Mr. Madrox; Miss Duerksen, of Clifton Forge, white organdie; Mr. Terrell; Miss Lucy Vaughan, cream mull over taffeta; Miss Lucy Holladay, black organdie over taffeta; Mr. Albert Wadley, of Richmond; Miss Agnes Segar, pink organdie; Mr. Dillard; Miss Mattie Fitch, blue silk mull; Dr. Massey; Miss Cassie Scott, black organdie; Mr. Conway; Miss Bessie Rouse, black organdie; Mr. Vaughan; Miss Bessie Holladay, white organdie; Mr. Phillips; Miss Daisy Vaughan, pink organdie; Mr. George Davis; Miss Sadie Anderson, of Albemarle, pink mull; Mr. Garrett; Miss Bettie Segar, green organdie; Mr. Everett Wadley, Jr.

Chaperones—Mrs. Thurman and Mrs. Holladay.

Stags—Messrs. Ernest Cheunging, Carson Segar, Franklin Davis, Cornelius Davis and Stockley Coleman.

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## Probably in Philadelphia.

It is conjectured here that Joseph Thoriwell, of King George Courthouse, who is charged with criminal assault, and who skipped his bail bond some three weeks ago, is in the city of Philadelphia. This suspicion is based upon the fact that a vessel bound for that city left a near-by landing in King George county the same morning that young Thoriwell disappeared. Had he gone to Fredericksburg, Richmond, Alexandria, Washington, or Baltimore, he would at once have been in the hands of a detective who had been put on the lookout for him by Commonwealth Attorney W. A. Rose, of King George. Thoriwell's widowed mother will be a serious loss if she have been in the hands of a lifetime little home to shelter her in her old days, and she signed a bond binding that little home for her boy's appearance in the Magistrate's Court to answer the charge preferred against him. The youth's unceremonious "leaving," of course, forfeits the bond, and the mother's home is therefore forfeited to the Commonwealth of Virginia. Under the circumstances, there is more sympathy for the mother than for any one concerned.

## GREENE.

(Correspondence of THE FREE LANCE.)  
To THE FREE LANCE:

Eddie B. Harlow and wife, Mattie Lee, have lost their infant babe; Born as the light of day broke through. At night was in its grave. Though perfect in development. Of more than usual size. Was sent from its imprisonment To a home beyond the skies.

The mother from whose breast it was torn All helpless and conscious lay. While the object of her hopes was borne Some hundred yards away. And just before the sitting sun, Beneath the reddened clay, The soul was gently placed upon Her blighted hopes that day.

And being truly a child of grace, Will trust her Maker still, That she will see him face to face, And her supplications fill. By giving back her first-born boy, Who never knew no sin, And over him her soul with joy By being again with him.

It is written in the book of Psalms, In chapter twenty-three, The Lord is Shepherd of His lambs, And this shall comfort me. Tho' death's shadows over me come, I'll walk the valley through. With him forever I'll be home, And my cap overflowing, too.

Mr. J. Oswald McMullen died From a morbid growth in his side; The doctors said if not removed The result would be as it proved.

He lived three miles from Stanardsville On the road that leads by Page's mill, Was thirty-one and eight years old, His wife survives, all being told.

Mrs. Kittie Herring, of near Ortis, Has found a better home than this; On the 3rd she gained the other side, The same day that McMullen died.

For five years she had been bereft Of her loving mate, R. E. She left an invalid girl at home, And seven other children grown.

Henry, William, George and John, Lucien, Lucy, Millie and Tom; Was sixty-eight, I understand, In single life was Kittie Ham.

Quinque, Va., Sept. 6 1902.

## Beware of the Knife.

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## An Enjoyable Dance in Stafford.

Scarcely do the young people of this section have a more enjoyable occasion than they did last Wednesday night, Sept. 3d, at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Perry, when their daughter, Miss Nellie, so charmingly entertained her friends. Despite the inclement weather the crowd assembled at 8 P. M. Dancing was the principal amusement of the evening, which began about 9 and continued until 12, when an elegant repast was served, consisting of the delicacies of the season. Scarcely had all returned from the dining room before dancing was resumed and kept up until 4.30 in the morning, and even then when the band had played "Home, Sweet Home," some one called for another waltz. Among those present were Mrs. John Monroze and daughter, Elsie, of Richmond; Misses Helen Goodman, of Philadelphia; Marie Adams, Manassas; B. V. Weedon and Louise Reid, of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Nonce, of Washington, D. C.; Lillian and Rebecca Powers and Mrs. Powers, Temple Cheunging and Mrs. Benj. Bell, Messrs. T. J. Moore, of Fredericksburg; Arthur Sepp, of Washington, D. C.; John M. Lee, Jr., of R. Wright, Clinton and Wadsworth Powers, Ralph and Avery Hill, J. H. Reid Jr., and Dr. R. Larkin, of Manassas. The merry party bade adieu to their hostess at 5 A. M., fully aware that it was one of the most pleasant evenings of their lives, and wishing that Miss Nellie will soon find in her heart an abiding void, that none but us can fill, and will soon again entertain us so charmingly.

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"Day is winter put a stop to ragtime music in white folk's concerts," said Miss Miami Brown.

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